

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants: M. NAGASU et al  
Serial No.: (New Continuation application under 37 CFR §1.53(b) of  
U.S. Application Serial No. 10/135,530)  
Filed: September 24, 2003  
For: SEMICONDUCTOR CIRCUIT, METHOD OF  
DRIVING THE SAME AND SEMICONDUCTOR  
DEVICE  
Group: 2816  
Examiner: K. B. WELLS

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

**MS: PATENT APPLICATIONS**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

September 24, 2003

Sir:

Entry of this Amendment in connection with the above-identified new  
continuation application, concurrently filed herewith, is respectfully requested.

**IN THE CLAIMS:**

Please **cancel** claims 1-8 and 12-17, inclusive, without prejudice or  
disclaimer.